Award of Dealership for Retail outlet in Afartbur Kenda

1269. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of PETROL HUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a retail outlet reserved for Scheduled Caste in Alathur, Kerala awarded in February 1988, is still pending commission despite huge investments on land and its improvements by the candidate as advised by IOO,

(b) if so, details and reasons thereof;

(c) what is the total loss of interest and investments and the loss of earnings for the past six years as per the estimation under the new scheme effective from 1.4.1992 for the award of dealership to SCs/STs.

(d) whether IOC has sent any proposal for change of location and if so, when and the result of action, and

(e) what is the procedure followed by the Ministry when they are unable to continue tenure in a location for wants of legal redress?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATTSH SHARMA): (a) and (b) A Letter of Intent was issued to Shri M. G. Prakesh on 1.2.1988 by IOC offering a retail outlet dealership at Alathur in Kerala under 'SC' category. The dealer-select purchased a piece of land for putting up the outlet. However, before the outlet could be progressed further for commissioning, a Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited dealor obtained ex-narte interim injunction restraint; IOC from developing the retail outlet. In spite of several efforts of IOC, the stay has not been vacated so far, and the matter continues to be subjudice.

(c) The Letter of Intent in this case was issued much before the introduction of Corpus fund Scheme effective! 01-04-1992. Hence the dealer-select docs not qualify for any financial assistance under the new Schema, ai.d such comparison is not relevant.

(d) !OC has submitted a proposal in March. 1994, for allotment of another location to Shri M.G. Prakash at Trig-sur Town in lieu of Alathur, for consideration by the Government.

(c) When the matter i« suhjudice, the normal course is to wait for the verdict of the Court.

Criteria for Allotment of Retail Outlet to SCs/STs

.271). SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: "Win the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the cost, estimated for land and its improvement for a retail outlet on a National Highway and the net monthly take home income under the new scheme effective from 1st April,1992 for the award of dealership to SCs/STs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF IHB MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATTSH SHARMA): The cost of land for opening of a retail outlet on a National Highway varies from place to place depending upon the type of land and its availability. On an average, the cost of land, development and infrastructure for the commissioning of a retail outlet is estimated at around Rs. 12.00 lacs_ Assuming an estimated sale of 10 Kls of petrol and 150 Kip. of diesel per month, income of a dea!er would be around Rs. 4000/- per month

International Cooperation in Production of Oil and Natural Gas

1271. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

SHRI SATTSH AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any discovery of Natural Gas has been made in BAGI TIBBA,

a structure located south of the existing *gas fileds* of TANOT and DANDEWALA in Rajasthan if so, by which company and the rate of gas produced per day in standard cubic metres;

(b) whether oil was discovered by ONGC at other places in the country re cently if so, the quantity of oil and gas that flowed per day, State-wise; and

(c) whether during his recent visits to the Norway at the World Petroleum Congress he got opportunities to acquaint
himself with the latest developments, technology in the inter national oil in dustry and whether he asked/sought co-operation for production of more oil natural gas in the country if so, with which countries and what are the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE .MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) The discovery was made by OIL. On initial testing, the well produced gas at a rate of about 65,000 std. cum/day through 8 mm. bean.

(b) The flow rate of oil and gas during initial testing period of these discoveries made by ONGC Ltd. in 1993-94 are as
follows:—

State/Area	Name of the find	Oil M3/D	Gas M3/D
Tamil Nadu	Mattur	14—15	Negligible
	Kuttatnallur	2.5	Negligible
K.G. Offisahare	GS-15 0bj.-II	10S	21,287
	Obj.-III	72	48,659
Gujarat/E	Halisa	10	Negligible
Andhra Pradesh	Achanta		35 ,893
	Ponnamanda		23,795
	Obj.-III(a+b)		1,02,749
	Obj.-IV		1,26,456

(c) Discussions to identify possible areas of cooperation were held with Ministers from Norway, Israel, Russia and Angola and with the Chairman of the China National Petroleum Corporation.

Hiring *at* erode Oil tankers through antiquated. Cost pins formula

1272. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIR-*T.A:* Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleaded to state:

(a) whether Government are losing millions of rupees everyday through ;m«iquated. cost plus formula for hiring crude oil tankers from shipping companies to transport oil from abroad;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to review its stand by chartering public
sectors at the international market late rather than on cost plus formula basic: and

Id) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA); (a) to (d) The hire charges under cost plus formula of old national fleet are currently lower man the market rates but new ship acquisitions are costing more.